

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
ART UNIT 1618**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Edward J. Kaplan

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Examiner: Jagadishwar Rao Samala

For: *FLEXIBLE AND/OR ELASTIC BRACHYTHERAPY SEED OR STRAND*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

Please substitute this Amendment and Response for the Amendment and Response filed on March 2, 2009. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time, up to and including February 28, 2009, and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed with the Amendment and Response filed on March 2, 2009. It is believed that no fee is required with this submission. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.